

THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

FLAGS ON STATE BUILDINGS ORDERED LOWERED TO HALF STAFF

WHEREAS:

On May 29, 2006, our nation will again recognize Memorial Day by remembering the enormous sacrifices of the past, and renewing our

commitment to the future; and

WHEREAS:

Throughout our nation's history America has served as a beacon of

liberty, and a guarantor of peace to the people of the world; and

WHEREAS:

The brave men and women of America's armed forces have answered the call of destiny to blaze the path of peace, and to build the foundations of

freedom; and

WHEREAS:

On Memorial Day, our nation proudly honors those courageous Americans who have selflessly laid down their lives on the field of battle;

and

WHEREAS:

The men and women of America's armed forces also honor those sacrifices by continuing to ensure God's gift of freedom for every American; and

WHEREAS:

We, as a grateful and humble people, offer our thoughts, thanks and prayers to these fallen heroes and their families.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN HONOR AND AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR THE MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN DEFENSE OF OUR NATION, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED:

That on the 29th day of May, 2006, the flags on all state buildings and grounds shall be flown at half-staff until noon.

This 26# day of May, 2006.

GOVERNOR